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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE PATENT

In re application of Gopferich et al.) Group Art Unit: 1618
Serial No. 10/019,797) Examiner: Silverman, Eric E
Filed: July 26, 2002)
For: BIODEGRADABLE BLOCK COPOLYMERS WITH MODIFIABLE SURFACE	ý))

REQUEST FOR EXAMINER INTERVIEW

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

With this letter Applicants request an Examiner Interview for the above-referenced patent application, by telephone, on Friday, October 17, 2008, at 2:00 PM EST, with the Examiner of Record.

Applicants wish to discuss the introduction of an amendment to the end of claim 1 in which the language ", wherein said second functional end group is neither a hydroxyl group nor a carboxylic acid" is added to overcome the prior-art rejections of record.

Should the Examiner not be available at this stated time, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner indicate (by return e-mail to krm@patlawyers.com) an alternative time, by the close of business on Thursday, October 16, 2008, for the Examiner Interview.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference with Applicants' representative would be helpful to advance the prosecution of the application, or for any other reason, he or she is kindly invited to contact the undersigned with any questions.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any needed fees to deposit account 50-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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